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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement contained in the December 28, 1999 Office Action, applicants hereby elect Group I, i.e., method claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 for examination in this application. In view of this election, a prompt action on the merits of the elected claims requested.

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